

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL
COMMISSION**

**Thursday, May 16, 2013
Meeting Held at the City Hall Annex, Council Chamber, Public Level
900 Bagby Street, Houston TX 77002
3:00 PM**

**A CD/DVD of the full proceedings is on file
in the Planning and Development Department**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Vice Chair, Mr. Maverick Welsh, with a quorum present. The following Commission members noted with "P" were present during all or portions of the meeting and the members noted with "A" were absent.

Edie Archer	A
Debra Blacklock-Sloan	P
David Bucek	P
Romulo Tim Cisneros	P
Ann Collum	P
John Cosgrove	P
Douglas Elliott	P
Jorge Garcia-Herreros	P
Rob D. Hellyer	P
Paul Homeyer	P
Anna Mod	P
Charles Stava	P
Maverick Welsh	P

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chair's report was given by Vice Chair, Maverick Welch. Mr. Welch gave kudos to HISD for the Bonds Issue that will help preserve some of the historic schools in the District.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's report was given by Marlene Gafrick, Director, Planning and Development. Mrs. Gafrick announced that the next HAHC meeting on June 13 will begin one hour earlier so staff can present to the Commission the draft Germantown District Guidelines, also reminded the Commission that the Historic Preservation Fair will be Saturday, May 18, from 8 am to 1 pm at the Houston Permitting Center, located at 1002 Washington Avenue.

MAYOR'S CULTURAL LIAISON REPORT

The Mayor's Cultural Liaison report was given by Minnette Boesel, Mayor's Assistant for Cultural Affairs. Mrs. Boesel introduced newly appointed Commissioner Anna Mod who has replaced Phoebe Tudor as the Architectural Historian. She introduced Beth Wiedower who works for the National Trust for Historic Preservation and is in charge of the field office in Houston. Beth will act as an advisor to the Commission. She also announced Phoebe Tudor, the former Chair, has been selected as Preservationist of the Year by Mayor Parker and will be honored at a special presentation on June 18 at 1:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

**APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 18, 2013 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Motion was made by Mr. Cisneros, seconded by Mrs. Collum, to approve the April 18, 2013 Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

I. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

Motion was made by Mr. Cosgrove, seconded by Mr. Cisneros to take agenda items I-a, I-c, I-d, I-e, I-l, I-m, I-o, I-p, I-q, I-u, I-v, I-w, I-y I-aa, I-bb, I-dd, I-ff, I-hh, I-ii, I-jj, and I-kk together as consent agenda items and address them at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

- a. **444 W. 24th Street – LM/House at 444 24th (Alteration – Addition)**
- c. **1513 Arlington Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (New Construction – Residence/Garage)**
- d. **511 Cortlandt Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (New Construction – Residence/Garage)**
- e. **1324 Rutland Street – Houston Heights Historic District West (Alteration – Porch)**
- l. **1651 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Porch)**
- m. **1651 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Addition)**
- o. **4 Shadow Lawn Street – Shadow Lawn Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**
- p. **208 Bayland Street – Woodland Heights Historic District (New Construction – Garage)**
- q. **405 Main Street – Main Street Market Square Historic District (Alteration – Sign)**
- u. **708 W. Temple Street – Norhill Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**
- v. **805 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – Addition)**
- w. **805 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights Historic District South (New Construction – Garage)**
- y. **1222 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights District East (Alteration – Siding/Trim)**
- aa. **408 Highland Street – Woodland Heights Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**
- bb. **705 Marshall Street – Audubon Place Historic District (New Construction – Carport Revision)**
- dd. **923 Pizer Street – Norhill Historic District (Alteration – Addition)**
- ff. **1039 Oxford Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration – Addition Revision)**
- hh. **1824 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Addition Revision)**
- ii. **1824 Heights Blvd. – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Garage Revision)**
- jj. **1239 Cortlandt Street – Houston Heights Historic District East (Alteration – Door)**
- kk. **602 Colquitt Street – First Montrose Commons Historic District (Alteration – ADA Ramp)**

Motion made by Mr. Cosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan, to grant Certificates of Appropriateness to all consent items. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission returned to Agenda Item I-b at this time and proceeded with the remaining agenda items.

b. 702 Woodland Street – Woodland Heights Historic District (New Construction–Residence Revision)

Motion was made by Mrs. Mod, seconded by Mr. Garcia-Herreros, to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-b Motion carried unanimously.

f. 1915 North Blvd. – Boulevard Oaks Historic District (New Construction – Residence/Garage)

Motion was made by Mr. Bucek, seconded by Mr. Homeyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-f. Motion carried with Ms. Mod abstaining.

Speakers: Reagan Miller, applicant – supportive.

g. 605 Silver Street – Old Sixth Ward Historic District (Alteration – Noncontributing Structure)

Motion was made by Mrs. Mod, seconded by Mr. Stava to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-g. Motion carried unanimously.

Speakers: Mike Blackburn, owner, and Robert Burnham, applicant, and Chris Clark – supportive; James Schriver, Jay Hamburger, Jane Cahill West, Ryan Bohner, and Ryan Trainer - opposed.

h. 7610 Wilmerdean Street – Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration – Windows)

Motion was made by Mrs. Collum, seconded by Mr. Homeyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness with the condition that the replacement windows have the same configuration and maintain the same dimensions as the existing windows for item I-h. Motion carried unanimously.

i. 8218 Colgate Street – Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration – Windows)

Motion was made by Mrs. Collum, seconded by Mrs. Mod to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-i. Motion carried with Mr. Elliott and Mr. Hellyer opposing.

j. 8111 Glenloch Drive – Glenbrook Valley Historic District (Alteration – Addition *Deferral*)

Motion was made by Mrs. Collum, seconded by Mr. Cisneros, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-j. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Janice Bonin, applicant – supportive.

k. No Item - Withdrawn

n. 412 Main Street – Main Street Market Square Historic District (Alteration – Commercial Bldg. Windows)

Motion was made by Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Mr. Stava to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-n. Motion carried with Mr. Homeyer and Mrs. Mod abstaining.

Speaker: Bob Fretz, applicant – supportive.

**r. 525 Frasier Street – Freeland Historic District (Demolition – Residence)
Withdrawn by applicant**

s. 630 W. Temple Street – Norhill Historic District (Demolition – Garage)

Motion was made by Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Mr. Cosgrove to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-s. Motion carried unanimously.

t. 630 W. Temple Street – Norhill Historic District (Alteration – Addition)

Motion was made by Mr. Bucek, seconded by Mr. Garcia-Herreros to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-t. Motion carried unanimously.

x. 922 Columbia Street – Houston Heights Historic District South (Alteration– Siding/Windows)

Motion was made by Mrs. Mod, seconded by Mr. Garcia-Herreros to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-x. Motion carried with Mr. Elliott and Mr. Hellyer opposing.

Speakers: Abraham Fisch, owner, and William Polocz, contractor – supportive.

z. 3602 S. Macgregor Way – LM/Hill-Perry House (Alteration – Rear Addition)

Motion was made by Mrs. Mod, seconded by Mr. Cisneros, to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-z. Motion carried unanimously.

cc. 907 W. Cottage Drive – Norhill Historic District (Alteration – Addition, Siding/Windows)

Motion was made by Mrs. Collum, seconded by Mr. Cisneros to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-cc. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Colleen Ford, owner – supportive.

ee. 901 Taylor Street – Old Sixth Ward Historic District (Alteration – Siding/Windows)

Motion was made by Mr. Cosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Blacklock-Sloan to defer the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-ee. Motion carried unanimously.

Speaker: Ryan Trainer – opposed; Pete Stockton – Sr. Inspector, City of Houston Code Enforcement.

gg. 1415 Ashland Street – Houston Heights Historic District West (Alteration – Addition)

Motion was made by Mr. Cosgrove, seconded by Mr. Homeyer to grant the Certificate of Appropriateness for item I-gg. Motion carried with Mrs. Collum opposing.

II. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION FOR:

a. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Eyssen House at 3449 Overbrook Lane

The Vice Chair opened and closed the public hearing. There were no speakers.

Motion made by Mr. Cosgrove, seconded by Ms. Mod that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Mr. and Mrs. William H. Eysen House at 3449 Overbrook Lane. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Randolph and Virginia West House at 2245 Dryden Road

The Vice Chair opened and closed the public hearing. There were no speakers.

Motion made by Mr. Stava, seconded by Mr. Cosgrove that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend to City Council the Landmark Designation of the Randolph and Virginia West House at 2245 Dryden Road. Motion carried unanimously.

III MONTHLY PRESERVATION TOPIC

Delaney Harris-Finch with the Planning and Development Department gave a presentation on the Historic Preservation Web manual.

IV COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE HAHC

Lynn Edmundson asked the Commission if she can continue to sell the Historic Plaques that were purchased by Historic Houston and stated that she is happy to hear the city is taking over the plaque program, she also announced that the Historic Houston salvage warehouse has reopened at a temporary location.

Jane Cahill West with the Old Sixth Ward Neighborhood Association asked that the applications be available to the committee or for the public to review so the committee has a chance to review the applications in hopes to resolve any conflict prior to the Commission meetings. Another issue she raised was the difference between a demolition, alteration or reconstruction when all the exterior of the building is demolished and taken down. She asked that the Preservation Ordinance and design guidelines be amended to reflect the difference.

Commissioner Rob Hellyer announced the AIA Sand Castle in Galveston is Saturday June 1 and he will be participating as part of a team with the Remodelers Council with the GHBA.

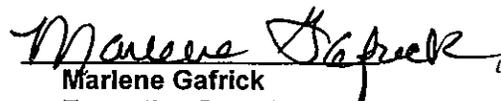
Commissioner Stava made a motion to nominate Maverick Welsh as Chair to the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission. Marlene Gafrick said no vote could be taken this month since it was not on the agenda.

Commissioner Anna Mod announced the Society of Architectural and Historians recently published a new book, the first volume of *Buildings of Texas*.

V ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the commission, a motion was made by Mrs. Collum, seconded by Mr. Garcia-Herrerros to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m.


Maverick Welsh
Vice Chair


Marlene Gafrick
Executive Secretary